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SECURITY INFORMATION

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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC KVP in the East-Berlin Area

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EVALUATION

PLACE OBTAINED

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between source determined that the assembly area of the KVP in Friedrichsfelde had been considerably enlarged. It extended east of the Treskow Allee and north of the Rummelsburg-Biesdorf railroad line as far as north of the estate. Source estimated that 3,000 to 4,000 troops and 200 to 250 vehicles were assembled there. Troops observed had dark-blue, red and black service color. On 25 July, a conference of senior KVP officers was held in this restricted area. About 45 sedans were seen in front of the entrance at about 11 a.m.¹

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Installation appeared to be occupied to capacity by an estimated 1,000 men. Numerous officers with red collar patches were seen at the KVP office on Schnellerstrasse and 6 to 7 sedans but no trucks were seen in the yard of the office.¹

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3. At about 6 p.m. on 28 July, two trucks, each occupied by about 20 KVPs, entered a KVP installation on Stralauerstrasse. The KVPs were armed with submachine guns. One of the trucks had come from the direction of the Jannowitz Bruecke (bridge) and the other from the direction of the Muehlendamm Bruecke.¹

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4. On the following KVP details were observed in East-Berlin: Twenty-five KVPs armed with carbines and submachine guns in the former "Hamburg Ahoi" inn at the intersection of Brunnenstrasse and Bernauerstrasse.

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were seen with the detail. on Invalidenstrasse at the Oberster Gerichtshof of the DDR (supreme court of the East-German republic), twenty-five KVPs in a shop on Bornholmerstrasse, about 20 meters from the sector boundary; thirty-five KVPs in the former cheese factory on Isingstrasse, Treptow; and about 80 to 100 KVPs, including some with red and the others with black collar patches and armed with carbines, submachine guns and rapid-fire rifles, in a school on Rheinsbergerstrasse.

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1. [] Comment. The employment in Berlin of newly arrived KVP was previously observed. [] KVP units were transferred from the area of the Armeegruppe Nord.

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